

LOTB BOARD MEETING MINUTES

October 16, 2015

Present: Sherri Sacconaghi, Marjie Brinck, Ann Skoog, Marianne, Conroy, Laurie Lamont, Nora Semonsen

Review and approve of minutes from the last Board Meeting, September 17, 2015

--Moved and approved

I. New Business

A. Team Fees: Sherri/Ann

1) Can teams opt out of the 11-12 court time?

- There was discussion at the captain's meeting that some teams don't want the extra court time
- The total cost per player, per half is \$6
- Not an option to buy only half and hour court time
- Last year, the board made the decision to buy the extra court time for all the teams; this continued this year
- The first half of this year is a "done deal"—can only potentially change the way things are done for the second half of the year
- Board decision: To take a vote of current captains at the next captains' meeting; if majority want to keep it as is, then all teams will need to equally split the cost

2) 12-3:30 courts (on non match days)

- These are already distributed equally among teams
- Can teams opt out and ask LOTC to sell the times?

- Answer: No
- However, teams can chose to sell the court times to anyone they wish to recoup some of their costs
- There was discussion about perhaps trying to bring back Fun Flights next year to help use the court time better and to bring in new players to LOTC and give them match practice.

3) Captains asking for City League Board to do a formal request to be exempt from the \$2 increase in court fees from the City of LO

- Sherri and Marianne spoke with Parks and Rec about this and their answer was no—must pay the additional \$2/hour when it takes effect in January 2016
- Expenses have increased, so Parks and Rec needed to raise the court fees
- In 2014-15, the Tennis Center Cost Recovery was 99%, as compared to 133% in 2012-13 and 116% in 2013-14
 - The Parks and Rec dept. is investigating what improvements they can make to the facility, using the Tennis Reserve Fund
- The new storage room was necessary in order to bring the facility up to fire code
- Board commented that the courts often seem empty and that fewer people seem to be in the classes
 - This may be, in part, due to the higher fees
 - Suggest to the City that they have a better system for people to see what courts are available (e.g. online booking)
- Board noted that LOTC is still less expensive than another city owned tennis facility: PTC
- Note: The city has agreed to pay for the website and for printing costs. It will also reimburse City League for those costs for last year.

B. Protocol for using subs for matches-Ann

- There was a situation where a sub was needed for a team, then the player from the regular team became available after all
 - The question became: Which player should be played?
 - A sub plans on playing when asked, and the team below also plans on their lineup without that player
- The LOTC CL Rules state:
 - If it is necessary to substitute a player from another team, notify that player's captain before approaching that player (player substitutes should be played at the lowest position). Contact the LOTC Board about any problems affecting the teams or players of City League tennis.
 - Notify team members at least 5 days prior to a match if they are playing (partnerships and position should also be communicated).
- The Board recommends:
 - Captains notify their teams of line up five days in advance (as stated above)
 - Once that notification has been sent out, changes should not be made unless absolutely necessary

C. Protocol for Regular players who request to opt out of first half for non injury related reasons.-Ann

- The LOTC CL Rules state:
 1. A player who is injured during the first half of the season (with the season being defined by the GPCL calendar) and is unable to play by mid-season, has the option to stay on the roster for the second half of the season. If a player is still injured at the end of that season, she will be removed from the roster.
 2. A player who is injured during the second half of the season (with season being defined by GPCL calendar) and is unable to play by the end of that season, has the option to stay on the roster for the first half of the next season. If the player is still injured at mid-season, she will be removed from the roster.
 3. A player who is removed from a team roster due to injury may return to City League tennis by submitting a Lake Oswego Tennis Center City League Sign Up Form. This person will be considered a priority player for team placement consideration. However, this doesn't guarantee the returning player a spot on a team.

4. All players on City League teams are responsible for payment of team fees regardless of their status.
- The Board is recommending to the Rules Committee to change the rules so that players with new job-related or personal reasons for not making the 50% rule follow the same procedure as injury-related issues

II. Old Business

A. Resolution Committee-should a non board member be a part of the committee?

- The LOTC CL Rules state:

The Resolution Committee shall consist of at least three members of the LOTC Board including the Rules Committee Chair (if possible). Additional members may be appointed when applicable.

- This implies that another non-Board person can be on the committee
 - Someone can request this as needed
- Current Resolution committee: Marianne Conroy, Marjie Brinck and a third Board member (who is available). Pros come if needed.

B. Team Rosters-Updates on players who have left, are gone on injury (E/F Team) and players who have been added since last meeting. Ann/Sherri

- Master roster has been updated for E team
 - Tracy Edmonson has withdrawn from team due to medical reasons
 - Mai Wang has been added
- Other waitlisted people may be added to teams after more team practices
 - Jeanne Olson
 - Nancy Levesque

C. Board Goals, revisited

- No new additions stated at this time

D. Other Business

- Marianne has completed the master rosters for all teams
 - Will forward to Ann Skoog, who will distribute them to the captains; they can then, in turn, pass them to their players
- Review Process document
 - The LOTC Board retains ownership of the Review Process Document and the process
 1. The Rules committee will be asked to review it and make suggestions or recommendations at the January meeting
 - Will be posted on the LOTC CL website when completed
- Website manager—Currently still Marianne Conroy
- Stats program
 - CD's were passed to Ann Skoog to have ready for any Captains that need it for their teams
 - Tania Thompson and Marjie Brinck observed a glitch in the calculations one day, which was remedied by a “restart”
- Captains' Meeting
 - Will be scheduled in November and again in February. Had one on September as well
- Rules Committee meeting
 - Scheduled in January

- This gives captains a chance to check with their teams about questions before the committee meets in January.

The next Board meeting will be held November 19, 2015 at 3:15 at 2 Mt Jefferson Parkway